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June 19th, 1920

President A. Lawrence Lowell,
Harvard University,
Cambridge, Mass.

My dear President Lowell:

A few years ago I wrote asking you whether you would be kind enough to accept the Lectureship, which was established some years ago in the University of Toronto by Mrs. Marfleet of Illinois in memory of her husband. I am sending you a clipping from our Calendar which will give full details of the foundation. Unfortunately you were unable to accept our invitation on the former occasion and I am now venturing again to ask you whether you could not make it possible to deliver a course of three lectures some time next academic year between the middle of October and the beginning of April. The honorarium we offer is six hundred dollars. As you will realise the purpose of the lectures is to give our students and the public of the city an opportunity to hear some distinguished American in regard to any subject dealing with the life of the American people, which we may think will help us to a better understanding of our great neighbor.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

June 23, 1920

Dear Sir Robert Falconer:

It would, indeed, be very agreeable to give the Marfleet lectures at Toronto during the next academic year; but as far as I can see at present, it will not be possible for me to do so. The work here has been made much heavier by the events following the war, and I suppose is likely to remain so; and the calls in connection with the University have increased until I feel unable to accept any work that I can avoid. You will appreciate how much I regret to say this.

Very truly yours,

A. Lawrence Lowell

Sir Robert A. Falconer
University of Toronot
Toronto, Canada